

Name: Special Emphasis Panel in Materials Research (DMR)

Dates and Times: September 28, 1995, 8:30 am–5:00 pm Room 730; September 29, 1995, 8:30 am–5:00 pm Room 1060.

Place: National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230.

Type of Meetings: Closed.

Contact Person: Dr. Lorretta J. Inglehart, Program Director, Division of Materials Research, Room 1065, National Science Foundation, 4201 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, VA 22230. Telephone (703) 306-1817.

Purpose of Meetings: To provide advice and recommendations concerning support for the Synchrotron Radiation Center, University of Wisconsin proposal.

Agenda: Evaluation of proposal.

Reason for Closing: The proposal being reviewed may include information of a proprietary or confidential nature, including technical information, financial data such as salaries, and personal information concerning individuals associated with the proposal. These matters are exempt under 5 U.S.C. 552 b.(c) (4) and (6) of the Government in the Sunshine Act.

Dated: September 5, 1995.

M. Rebecca Winkler,

Committee Management Officer.

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NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION

PECO Energy Company; Notice of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating Licenses

[Docket Nos. 50-277 and 50-278]

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (Commission) has issued Amendment Nos. 210 and 214 to Facility Operating Licenses Nos. DPR-44 and DPR-56 issued to PECO Energy Company (the licensee), which revised the Technical Specifications (TS) for operation of the Peach Bottom Atomic Power Station, Units 2 and 3, located in York County, Pennsylvania. The amendment is effective as of the date of issuance and shall be implemented within 150 days from the date of issuance.

The amendments replace the current TS and associated Bases with a set of TS based on NUREG-1433, "Standard Technical Specifications, General Electric Plants, BWR/4," dated September 1992.

The application for the amendment dated September 29, 1994, as supplemented by letters dated March 3, March 30, May 4 (two letters), May 8, May 9, May 16, May 24, May 25, May 26, June 7, July 7, July 13, July 21 and August 4, (two letters), August 11, and August 28, 1995, complies with the standards and requirements of the

Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (the Act), and the Commission's rules and regulations. The Commission has made appropriate findings as required by the Act and the Commission's rules and regulations in 10 CFR Chapter I, which are set forth in the license amendment.

Notice of Consideration of Issuance of Amendment to Facility Operating License and Opportunity for a Hearing in connection with this action was published in the **Federal Register** on May 19, 1995 (60 FR 26905). No request for a hearing or petition for leave to intervene was filed following this notice.

The Commission has prepared an Environmental Assessment related to the action and has determined not to prepare an environmental impact statement. Based upon the environmental assessment, the Commission has concluded that the issuance of the amendment will not have a significant effect on the quality of the human environment (60 FR 42190).

For further details with respect to the action see (1) the application for amendment dated September 29, 1994, as supplemented by letters dated March 3, March 30, May 4 (two letters), May 8, May 9, May 16, May 24, May 25, May 26, June 7, July 7, July 13, July 21, August 4, (two letters), August 11 and August 28 1995, (2) Amendment Nos. 210 and 214 to Licenses Nos. DPR-44 and DPR-56, (3) the Commission's related Safety Evaluation, and (4) the Commission's Environmental Assessment. All of these items are available for public inspection at the Commission's Public Document Room, the Gelman Building, 2120 L Street NW., Washington, DC, and at the local public document room located at the Government Publications Section, State Library of Pennsylvania, (REGIONAL DEPOSITORY) Education Building, Walnut Street and Commonwealth Avenue, Box 1601, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Dated at Rockville, Maryland, this 30th day of August 1995.

For the Nuclear Regulatory Commission.

Joseph W. Shea,

Project Manager Project Directorate I-2, Division of Reactor Projects—I/II, Office of Nuclear Reactor Regulation.

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NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD

Board Meeting: OCRWM Program Update, Waste Isolation Strategy, ESF Construction & Science Update, NAS "Release Standards," Total System Performance Assessment

Pursuant to its authority under section 5051 of Public Law 100-203, the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987, the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board will hold its fall meeting on October 17-18, 1995, in Arlington, Virginia. (Please note: In the event of a general government shutdown, the Board will decide on October 10, 1995, whether or not to cancel the meeting. Please call (703) 235-4473 on October 10 for the announcement.) The meeting will be held at the Arlington Renaissance Hotel, 950 N. Stafford Street, Arlington, Virginia 22203; (Tel) 703-528-6000; (Fax) 703-528-4386. The meeting is open to the public and will begin at 8:30 a.m. both days. Presentations during the meeting will focus on strategic concerns and performance assessment.

Strategic concerns in the high-level nuclear waste program will be covered the first day of the meeting. The Department of Energy (DOE) has been asked to provide updates on the Office of Civilian Radioactive Waste Management (OCRWM) program, the developing waste isolation strategy, and construction progress and initial science results in the exploratory studies facility. Congressional staff members will be invited to provide their views on pending legislation that may affect the nuclear waste program. The Board also will hear about the National Academy of Sciences report on release standards for Yucca Mountain and the DOE's reaction to the report. The Electric Power Research Institute will provide an analysis of different proposed standards. At the end of the day, there will be a round-table discussion of strategic developments and concerns.

Performance assessment will be covered on the second day of the meeting, including a detailed look at the OCRWM's Total System Performance Assessment 1995 for the Yucca Mountain site. Additional presentations and a round-table discussion on making the best use of performance assessment will conclude the day's activities.

Time will be set aside on the agenda for public comment and questions. To ensure that everyone wishing to speak is provided time to do so, the Board encourages those who have comments to sign the Public Comment Register, which will be located at the sign-in

table. Those registering are advised that, depending on the number of people wishing to speak, a speaking time limit may have to be set on the length of individual remarks. However, written comments of any length may be submitted for the record.

The Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board was created by Congress in the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987 to evaluate the technical and scientific validity of activities undertaken by the DOE in its program to manage the disposal of the nation's spent nuclear fuel and defense high-level waste. In that same legislation, Congress directed the DOE to characterize a site at Yucca Mountain, Nevada, for its suitability as a potential location for a permanent repository for the disposal of that waste.

Transcripts of the meeting will be available on computer disk or on a library-loan basis in paper format from Davonya Barnes, Board staff, beginning December 15, 1995. For further information, contact Frank Randall, External Affairs, 1100 Wilson Boulevard, suite 910, Arlington, Virginia 22209; (Tel) 703-235-4473; (Fax) 703-235-4495.

Dated: September 1, 1995.

William Barnard,

Executive Director, Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board.

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OFFICE OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT

Federal Employees Health Benefits Program Medically Underserved Areas for 1996

AGENCY: Office of Personnel Management.

ACTION: Notice of Medically Underserved Areas for 1996.

SUMMARY: The Office of Personnel Management has completed its annual determination of the States that qualify as Medically Underserved Areas under the Federal Employees Health Benefits (FEHB) Program for calendar year 1996. This determination is necessary to comply with a provision of FEHB law that mandates special consideration for enrollees of certain FEHB plans who receive covered health services in States with critical shortages of primary care physicians. Accordingly, for calendar year 1996, OPM has determined that the following States are Medically Underserved Areas under the FEHB program: Alabama, Arkansas, Idaho, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico,

North Dakota, South Carolina, South Dakota, West Virginia, and Wyoming. Arkansas and Idaho are new for 1996; Georgia has been removed from the list.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Leibach, 202-606-0004.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: FEHB law [5 U.S.C. 8902(m)(2)] mandates special consideration for enrollees of certain FEHB plans who receive covered health services in States with critical shortages of primary care physicians. Such States are designated as Medically Underserved Areas for purposes of the FEHB Program, and the law requires payment to all qualified providers in these States.

FEHB regulations (5 CFR 890.701) require OPM to make an annual determination of the States that qualify as Medically Underserved Areas for the next calendar year by comparing the latest Department of Health and Human Services State-by-State population counts on primary medical care manpower shortage areas with U.S. Census figures on State resident population.

Office of Personnel Management.

James B. King,

Director.

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

[Release No. 34-36175; File No. SR-Amex-95-32]

Self-Regulatory Organizations; Notice of Filing of Proposed Rule Change and Amendment No. 1 to the Proposed Rule Change by the American Stock Exchange, Inc., Relating to the Listing and Trading of Options on the Amex HMO Index

August 31, 1995.

Pursuant to Section 19(b)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act"),¹ and Rule 19b-4 thereunder,² notice is hereby given that on July 31, 1995, the American Stock Exchange, Inc. ("Amex" or "Exchange") filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") the proposed rule change as described in Items I, II, and III below, which Items have been prepared by the Exchange. The Exchange filed with the Commission Amendment No. 1 on

August 24, 1995.³ The Commission is publishing this notice, as amended, to solicit comments on the proposed rule change from interested persons.

I. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Terms of Substance of the Proposed Rule Change

The Exchange proposes to list for trading options on the Amex HMO Index ("HMO Index" or "Index"). In addition, the Amex proposes to amend Rule 901C, Commentary .01 to reflect that 90% of the Index's numerical index value will be accounted for by stocks that meet the current criteria and guidelines set forth in Rule 915. The text of the proposed rule change is available at the Office of the Secretary, the Exchange, and at the Commission.

II. Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

In its filing with the Commission, the Exchange included statements concerning the purpose of and basis for the proposed rule change. The text of these statements may be examined at the places specified in Item IV below. The Exchange has prepared summaries, set forth in Section (A), (B), and (C) below, of the most significant aspects of such statements.

(A) Self-Regulatory Organization's Statement of the Purpose of, and Statutory Basis for, the Proposed Rule Change

The purpose of the proposed rule change is to permit the Exchange to list and trade cash-settled, European-style⁴ stock index options on the HMO Index, an industry-specific index created by the Exchange.

Index Design

The HMO Index⁵ consists of ten highly capitalized health care maintenance organization stocks and American Depository Receipts ("ADRs") traded on the Amex, the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE"), or through the National Association of Securities Dealers Automated Quotations system

³ In Amendment No. 1, the Amex proposes to amend Amex Rule 904C to provide that position and exercise limits for options on the HMO Index shall be 5,500 contracts of the put class and the call class on the same side of the market. See Letter from Claire McGrath, Special Counsel, Derivative Securities, Amex, to Michael Walinskas, Branch Chief, Office of Market Supervision ("OMS"), Division of Market Regulation ("Market Regulation"), Commission, dated August 24, 1995.

⁴ European-style options can only be exercised during a specified period before the options expire.

⁵ The HMO Index is a new stock index established in 1995 by the Amex based on health maintenance organization stocks (or ADRs thereon).

¹ 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(1).

² 17 CFR 240.19b-4.